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Early week and as the week progressed prices increased in all areas. The market tone was firm. Demand was moderate to mostly good. Supplies ranged barely adequate to very tight for trade requirements. Breaking stock prices for nest run were unchanged to too few to report. Checks and undergrades prices were higher. Offerings were very tight with demand mostly moderate. Many breakers had shortened breaking schedules as lack of available nest runs and pricing mechanisms drive raw costs higher. Retail suppliers were bidding higher prices for any gradeable shell eggs. Floor stocks closely balanced to adequate. Schedules varied from part-time to full-time. Trade sentiment fully steady to firm. Light type fowl offerings continued fully adequate to ample for the mostly fair demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

MIDWEST REGIONAL Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin were higher for all sizes. Other reported prices unchanged. Trade sentiment firm. Retail demand was good to very good. Food service movement moderate to instances good. Supplies close to very tight. Central states breaking stock prices were too few to report with checks and undergrades 4 cents higher. Offerings were tight for the moderate demand. Retail buyers were bidding higher values for gradable shell eggs at this time. Floor stocks closely balanced to adequate. Schedules vary from part-time to full-time. Trade sentiment fully steady to firm.

	RANGE	MOSILY
EXTRA LARGE	55-62	57-59
LARGE	53-61	55-59
MEDIUM	41-47	44-47

MIDWEST AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV, Western NY, and Western PA

NORTHEAST REGIONAL Prices were unchanged, however all sizes trended sharply higher. The market tone was firm. Demand into all channels was moderate to very good, best where features were present. Supplies ranged closely balanced to tight for trade requirements. Breaking stock supplies were about adequate to close for the moderate to at times good demand. Light type fowl were at least sufficient for normal processing schedules.

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	KANGE	MOSILI
EXTRA LARGE	60-78	67-72
LARGE	56-75	63-66
MEDIUM	49-60	52-60
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NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, and VT

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA SHELL EGGS-COMBINED RE-GIONAL FOR WEEK ENDING 10-Jan-03 FEDERAL-STATE AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WARE-HOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	69.00	64.00	47.00
SOUTHEAST	64.50	62.50	47.00
MIDWEST	56.00	55.00	42.00
SOUTH CENTRAL	64.50	63.00	45.75
COMBINED REGIONAL	63.50	61.19	45.43

COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY REGIONAL AREA POPULATIONS

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM JAN 13, 2003 STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ 2/ (30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOOSANDS)							
			NO	S	o so		5-Area
	Nor	theast	CENT	CEN	T Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	6.1	12.6	5.5	10.3	10.4	44.9
	Change	-1.0	-2.1	-0.8	-2.0	0.4	-11%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk		29.3	-		21.8	102.1
	Change	-1.1	-20.5	-7.2	-0.6	-4.4	-25%
Large	Curr Wk	33.5	79.4	39.7	63.1	63.3	279.0
	Change	2.2	-20.3	-18.6	-5.8	-29.8	-21%
Medium	Curr Wk	11.1	30.1	18.9	13.8	18.9	92.8
	Change	-0.6	-10.0	2.1	-3.2	-6.8	-17%
Small	Curr Wk	4.3	7.8	6.1	9.7	4.4	32.3
	Change	-0.4	-1.0	-0.2	1.4	-3.1	-9%
Misc	Curr Wk	6.8	18.6	7.2	14.8	7.3	54.7
	Change	-0.1	-0.7	-0.2	-5.4	-2.0	-13%
Ungraded		23.7		11.5		27.7	
	Change	-3.4	-33.0	-10.3	3.0	-7.7	-26%
Total	Curr Wk		233.9		160.7	153.8	754.9
Percent	Change	-4%	-27%	-26%	-7%	-26%	-20%
TOTAL		Nu	umber	of	Percent	Nui	mber of
			Case	es	Change	Соор	erators
Shell Egg			754	-	-20%		175
Shell Egg	Breaking	Stock 2	2/ 313	.4	-10%		38
Total Shel	II Egg		1068	.3	-18%		213

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 175 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN

	01-14-03	01-07-03	01-15-02
Large	40-44	33-36	37-40
Medium	26-30	23-27	29-33

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION -

W/E 11-Jan-03

(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

(FR2 II/	ITHOU	SAND	2) (EYCL	ODE2 INC	2KEDIEN I	(۵)	
	CA	SES	LIQUID	LIQUID	LIQUID	DRIED	INED
	BRO	KEN	WHOLE	WHITE	YOLK		
CW	1,212,	923	27,997	11,648	6,546	2,883	4,448
PW	1,075,	635	24,655	10,600	5,859	3,046	4,084
LY	1,235,	373	26,945	13,144	6,868	3,327	4,523
% CHG	PW	13	14	10	12	-5	9
% CHG	LY	-2	4	-11	-5	-13	-2
2003	2,288,	558	52,652	22,248	12,405	5,929	8,532
2002	2,263,	596	48,521	24,296	13,008	6,482	8,588
% CHG	YTD	1	9	-8	-5	-9	-1

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS	LAST
AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -	WEEK	WEEK	YEAR
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	41.75	42.02	41.67
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	38.08	38.22	38.01

BROILER HATCHERY

	Broiler E	Eggs Set,	Broiler Chi	cks Placed,
	19 Selecte	d States	19 Sele	cted States
		Week En	ding	
STATE	Jan 04	Jan 11	Jan 04	Jan 11
	2003	2003	2003	2003
		THC	USAND	
AL	*28,789	27,934	*21,322	21,069
AR	31,253	30,267	24,244	24,081
DE	3,602	3,379	4,908	5,354
FL	1,562	1,572	1,557	1,502
GA	30,896	30,657	24,579	24,299
KY	6,172	6,517	5,466	5,392
MD	9,670	9,965	6,078	5,535
MS	18,823	18,815	15,540	15,462
NC	18,590	18,287	14,491	14,309
OK	6,364	6,420	4,491	4,218
PA	3,528	3,628	2,581	2,621
SC	4,729	4,756	4,105	3,589
TX	14,559	14,709	11,914	11,636
VA	6,355	6,357	5,337	5,161
CA, LA, MO, TN, & W	/ *19,589	19,656	*18,213	17,859
19 State Total	*204,481	202,919	*164,826	162,087
Previous Year Total	206,952	204,606	169,020	168,883
Pct. of Prev. Year	99	99	98	96

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 22-Feb-03 IS ESTIMATED AT 150.5 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 150.6 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 159.9 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 155.9 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 55.63 CENTS PER POUND.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVG PRICES (CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JAN 09 - 15, 2003 CURRENT LDS 107.75 FUTURE LDS 110.25 TOTAL LDS 218.00

		SE	ı	NE	M	W		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	
GNR W XL	_	59.50	_	_	54.25	_	11.00	
GNR W 1	45.20	51.77	46.00	47.88	54.18	48.50	80.00	
GNR W 2	_	48.00	43.00	_	42.00	56.00	7.00	
GNR W 3	_	_	44.60	44.00	_	50.00	2.50	
GNR W 4	_	_	_	_	31.50	34.00	1.00	
GL W J	_	_	_	_	59.62	_	3.50	
GL W XL	_	60.67	60.50	60.88	61.53	_	48.00	
GL W LG	_	59.21	59.42	61.24	57.87	_	51.25	
GL W MD	_	40.00	46.50	48.33	44.00	43.86	18.50	
GL W SM	30.58	32.33	28.67	31.00	_	34.50	7.00	
GL BR LG	_	101.00	105.00	_	_	_	4.00	
NRBS - 48	_	_	_	_	32.45	34.74	37.25	
NRBS - 39	_	_	_	_	_	22.50	2.00	
MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 11-Jan-2003								

MOVEMENT OF EGGS IN	VV/E 11-	Jan-200		
SELECTED	CW	PW	PC	T CHG
CONSUMING CENTERS	THOUSA	NDS	PW	LY
ATLANTA	23.7	23.7	0	-16
BOSTON	3.8	3.6	6	-7
CHICAGO	54.4	50.6	8	5
DETROIT	31.0	34.8	-11	2
KANSAS CITY	4.4	4.4	0	-10
LOS ANGELES	98.3	87.8	12	-21
NEW ORLEANS	12.2	11.5	6	15
NEW YORK	34.1	40.3	-15	-6
ST. LOUIS	17.1	16.3	5	-17
SAN FRANCISCO	24.9	24.1	3	5
TOTAL	303.9	297.1	2	-11
4 WK MVG AVG	310.8			

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS
BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 11-Jan-2003
(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

		-YOUNG	TURKE	YSTO	TAL TUR	KEYS
		PCT	AVG	OLD		AVG
		CHG	LIVE	BANDE)	LIVE
-THOUSA	ND HEAD-	PW	WT	-THOUSAN	ID HEAD-	WT
N EAST	834	46	23.35	(A)	838	23.35
SATL	788	60	32.41	(A)	792	32.41
N CENT	2,031	35	32.41	(A)	2,035	32.41
SCENT	438	8	21.97	(A)	442	21.97
WEST	368	27	22.53	(A)	371	22.53
U.S. TOTAL	4,459(B)	36	29.27	19	4,478	29.27
TO-DATE						
2003	7,729(B)			28	7,757	
TO-DATE						
2002	7,837(B)			2	7,839	
(A) Not pub		roid disc	losina in	ndividual on	arations	

- (A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
- (B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 76,000; for the year 94,000; last year to date 67,000.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED				W/E 1	1-Jar	า-2003
	YOUNG		YOU	ING	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BR	EEDERS		
			THOUSA	NDS		
HEAD	1,774	2,609	76	19		4,478
AVG WT	15.42	38.76	26.55	29.20		29.27
LAST WEEK	1,265	1,987	18	9		3,279
SAME WK YR AGO	1,840	2,790	34	2		4,666
AVG WT	16.31	37.85	26.31	53.84		28.69
TO-DATE/2003	3,039	4,596	94	28		7,757
TO-DATE/2002	3,102	4,668	67	2		7,839

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 11-Jan-2003 (PRELIMINARY)

YOUNG	`	,	TOTAL	
HICKENS	HENS	HENS	HENS	DUCKS
	THO	USANDS	3	
152,541	1,736	1,413	3,149	421
5.11	3.32	7.75	5.31	6.81
126,793	1,179	1,127	2,306	388
159,574	1,974	1,378	3,352	491
5.10	3.61	7.86	5.36	4.76
279,334	2,915	2,540	5,455	809
277,843	3,410	2,549	5,959	883
	YOUNG HICKENS 152,541 5.11 126,793 159,574 5.10 279,334	YOUNG LIGHT HICKENS HENS 152,541 1,736 5.11 3.32 126,793 1,179 159,574 1,974 5.10 3.61 279,334 2,915	YOUNG HENS HENS HENS HENS 152,541 1,736 1,413 5.11 3.32 7.75 126,793 1,179 1,127 159,574 1,974 1,378 5.10 3.61 7.86 279,334 2,915 2,540	HICKENS HENS HENS HENS 152,541 1,736 1,413 3,149 5.11 3.32 7.75 5.31 126,793 1,179 1,127 2,306 159,574 1,974 1,378 3,352 5.10 3.61 7.86 5.36 279,334 2,915 2,540 5,455

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 149.1 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 154.4 million head or 5.3 million head more than or 104% of estimated fryers available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 18-Jan-03

	Current Week 01/18/03(1)	Previous Week 01/11/03
CLASS	THOUSAN	ND HEAD ———
BRO-FRY	158,963(2)	159,376
LT HENS	2,056	1,891
HVY HENS	1,558	1,462
TOTAL	162,577	162,729
(1)FSTIMATED		

(2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 18-Jan-03 is 152.4 million head compared to 160.5 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 159.3 million head or 6.9 million more than estimated available. For week of 25-Jan-03 the estimated available is 152.9 million head.

ESTIMATED U.S. SLAUGHTER COMPARED TO ESTIMATED FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING.

		MILLION HEAD	MILLION H	HEAD	
WEEK ENDIN	IG	SLAUGHTERED	AVAILABL	E PCT	AVG WT
DECEMBER	7	153.8	146.7	105%	5.13
	14	156.8	146.7	107%	5.09
	21	154.7	144.4	107%	5.07
	28	109.3	140.8	78%	5.10
JANUARY	4	128.3	142.4	90%	5.15
	11	154.4	149.1	104%	5.11
YEAR TO DA	TE	282.7	291.5	97%	
JANUARY	18		152.4		
	25		152.9		

READY-TO-COOK POULTRY BROILER/FRYERS

Final report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook broiler/fryers f.o.b. and Delivered to First Receivers at major market areas week of 01/13/03-01/18/03 (cents per lb.)

	U.S. GRADE A			COMPOSI	TE
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG	LDS
Chicago	54.00-57.00	56.55	42	58.69	81
Los Angel	es 67.00	66.47	56	65.73	119
New York	59.00-61.00	59.71	24	60.48	52

12-CITY COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

	Change from		
13-Jan-03	6-Jan-03	6-Jan-03	14-Jan-02
61.89	0.81	61.08	57.56
NUMBER OF LO	ADS 566		

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD	LBS
CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/	1		AVG	(000)
8-16 LB HENS				
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-62	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	60-61	60.25	60.25	80
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	58-59	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	57-58	57.75	57.75	40
WESTERN REGION	57-58	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of
1 to 25 degress F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within
14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting.
4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting.
5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - (INCL GOVT STOCKS) SELECTED STGE CENTERS (IN THOUSANDS)

		FREGS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM	01/13/03	2,399	132,363	80,425
AM	01/01/03	2,000	131,968	79,054
CHG		399	395	1371
PCT	CHG	20%	0%	2%

HEN MARKETS

HEAVY TYPE Final Price, Cents Per LB, Generally for slaughter the week of 13-Jan-03 **WTD.**

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	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG	
Southeast (1)	5-9.5 CENTS/LB.	7-8.5	7.95	
Southeast (2)	TFEWR			
South Central(1)	5.25-11 CENTS/LB.	7.5-8.25	8.18	
(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading				

LIGHT TYPE 10-JAN-03

Cents per Head, generally for removal within the next 10 days (includes handling, freight and any other charges, weights average about 3.50 pounds)

RANGE	MAJORITY
0-7	3-5
Too Fe	w To Report
	-
0-6	2-3
	0-7 Too Fe

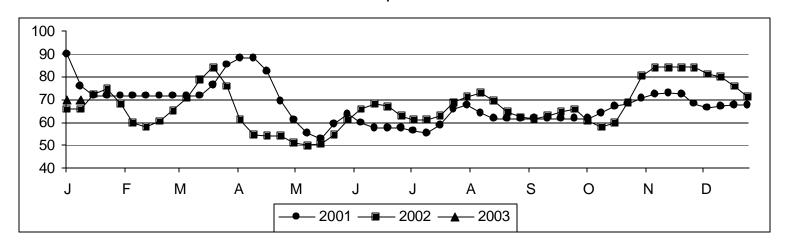
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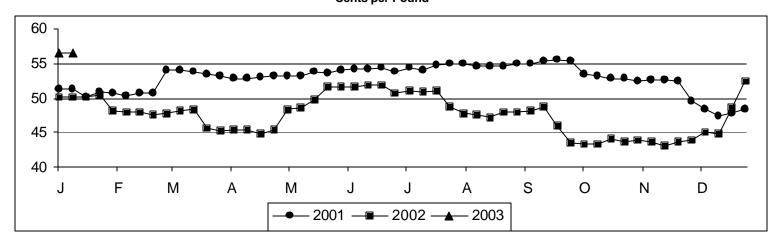
W/E 11-Jan-03

(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)					
	CASES	PERCENT CHANG	GE FROM		
REGIONS	(IN THOUS)	PW	LY		
N. ATLANTIC	227.2	0	2		
E.N. CENTRAL	550.4	3	0		
W.N. CENTRAL	288.9	5	-7		
S. ATLANTIC	195.8	-2	7		
S. CENTRAL	80.6	-11	0		
WEST	199.2	2	-8		
TOTAL	1542.1	1	-1		
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING 87 86					

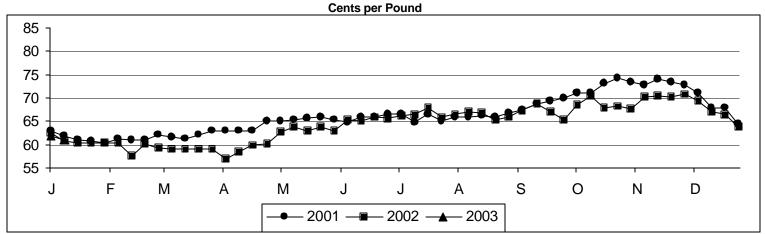
New York Large Weekly Average Price Cents per Dozen



Chicago Broiler/Fryer Weighted Average Prices Cents per Pound



Eastern Region Weekly Average Prices for 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys



Note: Some Weeks' Averge Prices are Based on Offers Only

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